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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT: 9 April Speech to American Society of Newspaper Editors

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Overall, good message, not defensive and positive in approach. Two suggestions:

1. On page 3 - you might want to make the point that: "Often it is difficult to be convincing that small breaches of security or revelations of intelligence on a somewhat peripheral issue constitute a serious problem. But the Soviets do their analysis of our capabilities the same way we work against them: a piece at a time until the mosaic shows a larger and more dramatic picture."
2. On page 10, second paragraph - you might make the point that whenever intelligence is used as the source for unclassified publications, it is imperative that we stay within the evidence to maintain CIA's integrity and to protect the policymaker. There is no credit to either when assertions made in a white paper cannot be supported by hard intelligence.

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